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The Glorious Fourth.

SOMETHING of a sensation was caused in Wichita, Kan., Monday by Mrs. Mary Lease appearing in a bicycle costume and elaborately dressed in a Syrian costume, including large trousers, buckled. In an interview, she said she abominated bloomers and thought the Syrian costume the proper thing. Bicycle riding, she says, is the next thing to having wings.

THERE is no abatement in the improvement in business. The iron, steel and textile manufacturing trades have had further advances in wages. Last week's bank exchanges increased 35 per cent. Despite considerable rate cutting railroad earnings increased as against the corresponding week for 1894. The crop news is encouraging. Altogether the situation is satisfactory to all but McKinley.

ONE of the English periodicals gives an interesting account of the old tight rope performer, Blondin. This extraordinary character is still alive, and seemingly as active and as nerveless as ever. He lives near London, and is wealthy. Blondin will be remembered by many as the man who crossed over Niagara Falls and whirled on a tight rope, crossed repeatedly with a man on his back, wheeling a wheelbarrow, with his head in a sack, and also with his feet shackled. He is now 70 years of age, but can do any of his old-time feats, nevertheless.

DISCUSSING the relations between Russia and Japan, the Philadelphia Record says: "The wary little Yankee nation on the other side of the Pacific has outwitted the wily Russian, and is fully aware of the advantage gained; and now, with a thoroughly equipped navy, commanded by able and experienced officers, and with an army capable of putting in the field 150,000 men handling with skill the latest and best weapons of war, and with a martial pride born of recent success, the once insignificant, almost despised Jap mounts his lofty perch and sings out with pardonable audacity, 'Who's Afraid?'"

THE adjutant general has finished letting the contracts for furnishing supplies for the annual encampment, Illinois National Guard, at Camp Lincoln, commencing July 6, concluding in seven weeks afterward. The contracts amount to between \$25,000 and \$30,000, and were made some lower than for the last encampment, owing to sharp competition of the bidders. All the successful bidders this year are from Springfield. The camp ground has been placed in a most excellent condition, tents are up, and about everything finished for the reception of the Second regiment next Saturday evening. The advance guard of the regiment will arrive some time Friday. The regimental band will give a complimentary concert at the opera house Thursday evening, July 11, to Gov. Altgeld and staff.

WHERE is the American whose thoughts do not go back in love and loyalty to the men of '76, when the Fourth of July impresses itself upon him? We cannot celebrate with too much enthusiasm and patriotic fervor the anniversary of our nation's birth. The dominant spirit that has always saved the republic in times of peril and anxiety will reign again tomorrow. The pure, unselfish liberty-loving impulses of the framers of the Declaration of Independence set the standard of American citizenship, which, if we can live up to, the republic will ever live. A year ago the country was overshadowed with dark clouds of discontent and unrest, but they have been dispelled by the light of the love for American institutions, and today finds the country all prosperous and happy and in just the proper frame of mind to celebrate the Fourth of July rightly.

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MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

Official Proceedings of the City Council Last Evening.

CITY COUNCIL ROOM, ROCK ISLAND, July 2.—The council met in adjourned session at 8 o'clock p. m. Mayor Knox presiding and all the aldermen present except Foss and Tiedall. On motion of Ald. Nelson, the council took a recess for the purpose of inspecting the pavement on Seventh avenue between Seventeenth and Twenty-third streets. On reassembling Ald. Schneider moved that the pavement on Seventh avenue from the east line of Seventeenth street to the west line of Twentieth street and from the east line of Twentieth street to the west line of Twenty-third street be accepted. Carried.

Ald. Maucker moved that the mayor and clerk be authorized to settle with H. L. Wheelan for the Seventh avenue paving according to contract. Carried.

Ald. Schreiner, from the joint committee of the street and alley and sewer committees, reported on the petition of H. D. Folsom and others, recommending that a 6-inch tile be laid from Eighth to Sixth avenues, and a 10-inch tile from Sixth to Fifth avenues on Eleventh street, at a cost not exceeding \$275, to be charged to the sewer fund.

Ald. Schroeder moved that the report be adopted. Carried 10 to 2 (Schneider and Nelson).

Ald. Schreiner, of the sewer committee, reported that the bids on the Seventh ward sewer system were as follows: Davis Co., \$4,666.96; M. Yerbury, \$5,325.50; Rosenfield Bros., \$5,173.40; Miller & Co., \$5,232; and recommended that the contract be awarded to Davis Co., they being the lowest bidders, and that the report be adopted. Carried.

Ald. Dauber moved that the contract be awarded to Davis Co. Carried.

Ald. Schneider moved that the mayor and city clerk enter into contract with Davis company for the construction of the Seventh ward sewer according to specifications. Carried.

Ald. Maucker moved that the checks be returned to unsuccessful bidders. Carried.

Ald. Schroeder moved that the mayor, superintendent of waterworks and waterworks committee report recommendations at the next regular meeting of the council in regard to purchasing a new pump for the filtering plant. Carried.

H. C. Harris addressed the city council relating to auctioneers' licenses, urging a reduction of the same.

Ald. Kennedy moved that the matter be referred to the city attorney and ordinance committee to report at the next meeting of the city council. Carried.

Ald. Pender read a petition from C. Schneider and others requesting that Mr. Vandewater be allowed to place a popcorn and candy stand on the corner of Twentieth street and Third avenue, and moved that the petition be granted. Carried.

Ald. Zeis read a petition from John Schroeder and others for extension of water mains on Sixth street between Ninth and Eleventh avenues. Referred to waterworks committee on motion of Ald. Schroeder.

Ald. Kennedy read a resolution for the purchase of 500 feet of water main to be placed on Twenty-seventh street and Seventh avenue. Adopted.

On motion of Ald. Schroeder, the mayor and fire and light committee were empowered to have a suitable brake placed on the hook and ladder truck.

Ald. Kennedy moved that Mrs. McElherne be allowed a rebate of \$13.46 on the Twenty-third street pavement, on account of excess assessment. Carried.

Ald. Schroeder moved that the mayor and fire and light committee be authorized to dispose of a certain horse at the No. 3 fire department and to purchase one to replace the same. Carried.

Ald. Schreiner moved that the city engineer be instructed to prepare the grade for the pipe and to include as are needed on Eleventh street, and that the sewer committee be instructed to ask for private bids and report to the council. Carried.

The clerk read a communication from O. P. Olson relative to certain sidewalks in the Seventh ward. Referred to the aldermen from the Seventh ward to report at the next meeting of the city council on motion of Ald. Schroeder.

The clerk read a communication from E. H. Guyer requesting the city council to vacate the alley in block 2, Guyer's third addition to the city of Rock Island, as the school board had bought the north 200 feet of said block for a school building. Referred to the street and alley committee and city attorney to report at the next meeting, on motion of Ald. Schreiner.

The clerk read a communication from W. A. Darling in regard to the omission of a lot from a sidewalk ordinance in front of which he built according to contract.

Ald. Kennedy moved that the city attorney and ordinance committee be instructed to prepare an ordinance for the improvement. Carried.

On motion of Ald. Johnson M. Yerbury was given permission, upon filing proper bond, to open paved street to make sewer connections on Twentieth street.

Ald. Maucker moved that the aldermen of the several wards submit lists of walks they wish filled to grade. Carried.

Ald. Schroeder moved that the city clerk request Weyerhaeuser & Den-

mann to lay a brick walk in front of their property on Third avenue, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets. Carried.

Ald. Schneider moved that the mayor be instructed to have a certain rock removed, and to fill a ditch on Fifth avenue, between Twentieth and Twenty-first streets. Carried.

Ald. Pender moved that the mayor and street and alley committee and city engineer be given power to act, to locate a certain drain for storm water in the Black Hawk addition.

Ald. Schneider moved as a substitute that the drain be laid as originally agreed upon by the mayor and street and alley committee. Carried. Adjourned on motion of Ald. Nelson.

A. D. HUBBING, City Clerk.

Defaulter Johnson Brought Back.

On yesterday's incoming steamer from Honolulu, there arrived in San Francisco Sheriff Wiley, of Muscatine county, and ex-Auditor Henry Johnson, of the same county. It will thus be seen that Sheriff Wiley's mission to Hawaii was completely successful, and it is equally plain that he met with no trouble in finding Johnson, as he is back by the first available steamer after his arrival in Honolulu. It now remains to be seen what punishment will be meted out to the defaulter after his return to Muscatine. The charge against Johnson, upon which the requisition papers were obtained, is forgery, he having, so it is charged, forged the names of county officials and others to obtain the money embezzled, which is said to have been lost in land speculation. After his flight from home Johnson went first to Kansas and then to California. When he arrived in San Francisco, he says, he had but 50 cents. Meanwhile his wife, through the sale of their house and other private property, realized \$750, of which she forwarded him \$200, and he departed for Honolulu. Arriving there a year ago, he went to work as solicitor on a newspaper and was promoted to book-keeper. While thus employed he secured a half interest with a blind man in the stationery business, and afterward bought out his partner in the stand and branched out as a confectioner. Then he began to figure prominently in political and church affairs in Honolulu, rendering valuable aid to the government during the recent uprising. His wife arrived on the scene about three months ago, and was also admitted to the church, as well as to the society circles of Honolulu.

When Johnson arrived at Honolulu he dropped "William" from his name, but one day a friend, so he says, recognized him and notified the officials of his whereabouts, with the result that Sheriff Wiley went down on the Australia armed with the necessary requisition papers for the arrest, which caused quite a sensation in Honolulu.

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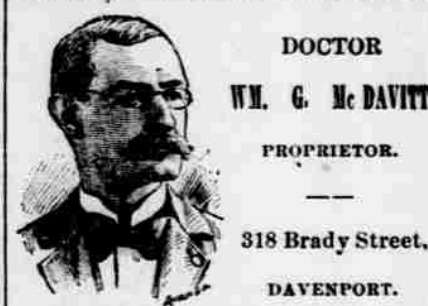
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